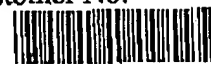


## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

Applicants : Miki MULLOR et al.  
Appln. No. : 09/164,777  
Filed : October 1, 1998  
For : METHOD OF RESTRICTING  
SOFTWARE OPERATION WITHIN  
A LICENSED LIMITATION  
Group Art Unit : 2161  
Examiner : J. Trammell  
Atty. Dkt. : 39636-176166

Customer No.



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PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 22031

AMENDMENT

Sir:

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Please extend the period for responding to the Office Action dated June 22, 2001 by two months so that the due date expires November 22, 2001. The requisite extension fee of \$200.00 under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (a) (1) is attached. Should no check be attached, please charge our Deposit Account 22-0261. Please also deduct any additional fees due or credit any overage to the same account.

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 22, 2001, please amend the application as follows: